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Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre (ITRAC)

The Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre (ITRAC) was established in 2007, with a mandate to reduce and prevent serious violence and death in intimate partner relationships. As [ITRAC \(Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre\)](#) is not an investigational police unit, this mandate is achieved through:

- the provision of information, usually in the form of violence risk assessments; and
- training to a variety of stakeholders.

[ITRAC \(Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre\)](#)'s operations are guided by the mission statement:

"To enhance the safety of domestic violence victims by managing risk using an integrated and objective threat assessment approach."

This mandate and mission are to be achieved through:

- the provision of operational threat assessment services, advice and expertise (primarily focused on intimate partner violence (IPV) and stalking/criminal harassment);
- training and certification of civilians and law enforcement members in threat assessment;
- education of stakeholders in intimate partner violence and threat assessment; and
- internal research and collaborations with the research community.

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Services

[ITRAC \(Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre\)](#)'s primary service to law enforcement is the completion of threat assessments and case management suggestions. However, [ITRAC \(Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre\)](#) also provides:

- education and ongoing professional development of unit members and certified threat assessors;
- expert court testimony for purposes of bail and sentencing hearings, child custody and access hearings, and guardianship applications;
- specialized training in intimate partner violence, stalking, and assessment and management of high-risk cases; and
- risk assessments under the *Disclosure to Protect Against Domestic Violence (Clare's Law) Act*.

More information on these services can be obtained by contacting [ITRAC \(Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre\)](#) directly.

Threat assessment and case management

A threat assessment report consists of:

- a summary of the subject's known history as documented in reviewed materials, including their relationship with the victim and children (if applicable), and any history of violence;
- an assessment of risk, including details of what tools were used, and what risk factors are present; and
- a conclusion, including an opinion as to the level of risk the subject poses based on the findings of the threat assessor based on the application of one or more risk assessment instruments.

[ITRAC \(Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre\)](#) assessments also contain case management suggestions, designed to address identified risk factors,

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and to increase safety for victims and children. Implementation of these strategies may involve multiple agencies.

When to contact ITRAC (Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre)

ITRAC (Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre) policy requires the presence of active IPV (intimate partner violence) or stalking-related charges at the time of request.

Note

All ITRAC (Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre) referrals originating from the RCMP should be processed through a district Domestic Violence Coordinator (DVC).

All requests to ITRAC require active charges related to IPV (intimate partner violence) or stalking.

The presence of the following additional considerations may assist requestors in determining whether to refer their files to their local DVC (Domestic Violence Coordinator) for consideration:

- Repeated acts of violence, or a single act of serious violence (e.g., causing, or with potential to cause, significant injury or death), regardless of the nature of the relationship between the perpetrator and victim
- Threats of violence, and particularly those that include the potential for serious physical harm or suicide (threats of death, use of weapons, etc.)
- Reports of controlling or stalking (criminal harassment) behaviour
- Concerns of risk for lethality, on the part of victims, investigators, or other parties with intimate knowledge of the case
- Cases involving repeated complaints or calls for service, but difficulties in the investigatory or prosecutory processes (e.g. uncooperative victims, withdrawn complaints, etc.)

ITRAC turn-around times can be extensive. If an assessment is desired for a particular court proceeding, referrers should submit their request as early in the court process as possible.

It is recommended in circumstances where a requestor believes a report is needed relatively quickly, the requestor liaise directly with ITRAC (Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre) to discuss the matter.

History Evaluation and Assessment Tool

Subjects of ITRAC (Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre) assessments frequently engage in a variety of antisocial and violent behaviours. Often our best source of information regarding this diverse behaviour is the victim. The History Evaluation and Assessment Tool (HEAT) is an interview guide that investigators may find valuable in using to interview victims of intimate partner violence. Completion of a HEAT (History Evaluation and Assessment Tool) interview is **NOT** a requirement for an ITRAC (Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre) assessment.

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 [History Evaluation and Assessment Tool \(HEAT\)](#)

Referral process

ITRAC (Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre) referrals can be sent from Alberta Police Services, i.e., federal, provincial, municipal, or First Nations services. Other agencies, including Crown Prosecutors, Correctional Services (Probation or Parole), and other community and government agencies will need to liaise with their local police service to access ITRAC (Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre) services. All referrals to ITRAC (Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre) should utilize the current request form, and do not require additional documentation.

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Referrals not related to IPV (intimate partner violence) or stalking

Although historically ITRAC (Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre) has taken on non-IPV (intimate partner violence) risk assessments, our mandate has been refocused to incidents of IPV (intimate partner violence) and stalking within Alberta. It is recommended that any requests for threat assessment related to cases not involving IPV (intimate partner violence) or stalking be directed to the RCMP BSG (Behavioural Sciences Group). Examples of threatening behaviour not related to IPV (intimate partner violence) or stalking include:

- in the workplace;
- in the cultural community;
- from gangs/organized crime groups;
- on social-networking sites (internet);
- school violence;
- criminal harassment;
- sexual and abhorrent predatory behaviour;
- extremism; and
- threats against public officials (judicial and political).

In circumstances where the subject of an ITRAC (Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre) Assessment poses a risk for multiple forms of violence, ITRAC (Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre) will not ignore this risk and an assessment of risk for any identified concerns will be identified within the completed report.

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